

[0030] What we claim is:

1. Apparatus for measuring the uv fluence in a space comprising a spherical containment vessel having a transmissively passive spherical wall containing an actinometric fluid therewithin that is optically opaque at a known wavelength.
- 5 2. An apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein said actinometric solution comprises a aqueous solution of 0.6 M iodide and 0.1 M iodate in 0.01 M borate at pH 9.25.
3. An apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein said actinometric solution is an aqueous mixture of iodide and iodate that is optically opaque at 254 nm but insensitive to radiation above 330 nm.
- 10 4. Apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein said spherical containment vessel is made from quartz.
5. Apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein said spherical containment vessel has a volume of less than about 1 cubic centimeter.
- 15 6. Apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein said actinometric solution comprises a aqueous solution having a molar concentration of iodide and iodate of about 3:5 and a ph of about 9.25.
7. An apparatus as defined in claim 1 comprising a colorimeter operatively configured to measure absorbance of light passing through said spherical actinometer for a determination of UV fluence.
- 20 8. Apparatus as defined in claim 7 further comprising a plurality of said spherical actionometers dispersed within a volume for determination of uv fluence within the volume.
9. Apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein said actinometer has neutral buoyancy relative to water for dispersion in a volume of water for measuring fluence throughout the volume.

10. A method of determining UV fluence in a space comprising the steps of preparing a plurality of spherical actinometers containing an actinometric solution therein which is optically opaque at a given wavelength; dispersing said actinometers through out said volume for a known period of time, measuring the change in transmissiveness of the actinometer, and calculating the
5 fluence using the relation fluence (mJ per cm².) = Δ Abs (470 nm) x K x 0.6 ml/cm² where K is a constant for the given wavelength.

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